

**CAMDEN HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MINUTES OF**  
**JULY 9, 2012**  
**MEETING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Gene McKeever, Ben Ellison, Richard Stetson, Ben Cashen (7:40 a.m.), Harbormaster Steve Pixley (7:50 a.m.) and Town Manager Patricia Finnigan.

**NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:** Willard Wight

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

**1. NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Chairman Gene McKeever presented to the committee the request of Les Bex to pay for a memorial bench for "Linda Bartlett" in installments of \$60.00 per year due to the original application submitted was submitted by a person who spearheaded the donation process and is no longer affiliated with the bench. ***Richard Stetson motioned to accept the request and Ben Ellison seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.***

Chairman McKeever reminded the committee that the Select Board has scheduled a workshop for committees and that the plans to attend this and would appreciate someone else attending.

**2. APPROVAL OF JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> MINUTES:**

***Richard Stetson motioned to accept minutes as written. Ben Ellison seconded motion. Passed 4-0.***

**3. HARBORMASTER'S REPORT:**

Harbormaster Pixley indicated that the mooring sites in Sherman's Cove do not seem to be utilized as they should be and if this does not change, he may have to make some phone calls to inquire as to what the site holder's plans with usage. He is going to wait and see if the slow start to the boating season is responsible before he does anything. The additional ramp widening has been priced out by Town Manager Finnigan and will be added to the improvement plans, as it was not a significant additional cost to widening them the extra footage. Chairman McKeever mentioned to the committee that a person had approached him suggesting using steel pilings with rebar's and concrete; however, the committee was not in favor of this due to noise and rust issues these would cause. Pixley updated the committee concerning the letter from Windjammer Captain Mike McHenry concerning the float system at the American Boat House dock not being properly secured. Pixley met with him, moved the float system over to the east, and seems to be working for Captain McHenry.

**4. PRIVATE DREDGE:**

The Harbormaster and Public Works Director Rick Seibel met with Elaine Neville from the DEP and was given permission to place the solid waste from the dredging at the Oak Hill Cemetery Annex.

**5. GANGWAY & FLOAT IMPROVEMENT PLANS:**

Discussion was made on the fact it is still an issue for the approved bidder to obtain the greenheart pilings needed. The committee is committed to using the greenheart material.

**6. DISCUSSION OF DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN:**

Chairman McKeever asked if where the Downtown Master Plan stands at this point and Town Manager Finnigan stated that there will be a meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup> with the business group to see what grant money will be applied for. At this time there is nothing directly concerning the harbor.

**7. PUBLIC LANDING PARKING:**

The committee discussed the Fishermen Parking sites and how they are being utilized by them. Ben Cashen suggested that one of the harbor deputies monitor and track their parking for a couple of months to see when and if they are being utilized. The committee agreed with this suggestion and the harbormaster will have this done.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:19 a.m. with the next meeting being scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. at the Camden Yacht Club.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marlene Libby